



December 20, 2010

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington DC 20554

**RE: Notification of Ex Parte Communication NPRM WT Docket 10-153**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

SmarterBroadband Inc. strongly supports the Commission's proposal to allow the use of auxiliary stations in frequency bands below 13GHz.

SmarterBroadband is a Wireless Internet Service Provider (WISP) and we have recently been awarded \$2.5 million of American Recovery & Reinvestment Act stimulus funds to expand our broadband Fixed Service microwave coverage in western Nevada County California.

Spectrum is the life blood of WISPs and the use of auxiliary stations will help conserve that precious national resource. Also, the ability for an auxiliary station to use small antennas will make it possible to dramatically lower the OPEX of 6GHz and 11GHz networks and to bring licensed broadband services to un-served and underserved communities.

Therefore, SmarterBroadband supports the position taken by WISPA, Wireless Strategies, Sprint Nextel, Exalt Communications, Sierra Telecom et al in supporting the Commission's proposal to allow the use of auxiliary stations in frequency bands below 13GHz.

Sincerely,

Adam Brodel,

President and CEO  
SmarterBroadband Inc.